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SUBJECT: MBFR: OPENING STATEMENT, PARA 31

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1. ON FURTHER CONSIDERATION WE BELIEVE PARA 31 OF US
OPENING STATEMENT SHOULD BE ELIMINATED. WE ARE CONCERNED
THAT IMPLICIT BUT IMPRECISE COMMITMENT TO "SELF RESTRAINT/
REGARDING "SIZE, CHARACTER AND ACTIVITIES OF MILITARY
FORCES" IN CENTRAL EUROPE DURING NEGOTIATIONS COULD INVITE
SOV EFFORTS TO INTERFERE WITH NECESSARY FORCE IMPROVEMENTS
AND MODERNIZATION EFFORTS IN THE ALLIANCE. FURTHER, WE ARE
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CONCERNED THAT SOVS COULD ARGUE THAT PARA 31 COMMITTED NATO

TO A CEILING ON INDIGENOUS FORCES, THUS IMPAIRING ALLIED
NEGOTIATING LEVERAGE ON THIS QUESTION.

2. YOU MAY INFORM AD HOC GROUP OF THE ABOVE REASONS FOR
ELIMINATING PARA 31. KISSINGER

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